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We have seen across the country as small businesses close when Wal-Mart comes to town. I am opposed to the Bank of Wal-Mart as it will mean unfair competition to existing lending institutions. I live in the inner city and our community groups have worked long and hard to make our financial institutions be sensitive to red lining and disinvestment. The loss or weakening of these institutions puts years of effort to obtain reinvestment at risk as we are finally getting our local institutions to invest in our neighborhoods as well as locate branches in inner city areas.

Please attend the board of directors meeting of the FDIC and consider long and hard the consequences of your decision.

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